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In re application of : Confirmation No. 7551  
Yukihiro MATSUMOTO et al. : Docket No. 2000-0669A  
Serial No. 09/587,387 : Group Art Unit 1724  
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PROCESS FOR INHIBITING A  
POLYMERIZATION IN A VACUUM  
SECTION OF AN EASILY  
POLYMERIZABLE COMPOUND  
PURIFICATION SYSTEM

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated September 17, 2002 in which restriction has been required, applicants hereby elect the invention identified as Group I (claims 1 to 10 directed to a process for inhibiting polymerization).

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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